

July 28, 2003

July 21 Public Meeting of the Laveen and South Mountain Village Planning Committees Dobbins Road Subcommittee KDA Notes

School

• Protecting the (11th Ave.) school parking lot.

Intersection Design

- Flaring at intersection approaches to accommodate turn lanes should be considered.
- Intersection flaring should be shown along with roadway alignment.

Rural Character

- Desire to preserve the canal and irrigation ditches along Dobbins Road.
- Consider the drainage and flooding issues when preserving the canal.
- Consider variable width scenic corridor to accommodate property along Dobbins Road.
- Show the canal and irrigation ditches on each cross section as to where it exists.

Historic Preservation

 Desire to protect the historic value of the Del Monte Market even if it means changing the alignment of Dobbins Road.

Cross sections

- 14-foot lane uses a curb and the 12-foot road is used where there is no curb.
- Where right of way is limited desire for painted divided lanes instead of medians or two-way left turn lanes.
- Desire for landscaped medians should be considered in place of two-way left turns.
- A guardrail may not be feasible along the canal if the canal is part of federal land.
- SRP needs 20-foot easement for under grounding SRP 69kv lines. Under ground line is generally nine-foot deep.
- The community would like to see more than two alternatives.
- Community desire to see alternate cross section with the canal in the median.

Safety

- Concern about cars pulling to the right into the bike lane when emergency vehicles pass. All vehicles includes bicyclists must pull to the right and stop when a fire truck passes by.
- Cars are currently parked along Dobbins Road in front of homes and there is a concern that the clear zones might end up becoming parking lots.
- Desire to straighten the curve along Dobbins Road between 19th Ave. and 23rd Ave. to improve roadway safety.
- The community prefers slower travel speed along Dobbins Road. Traffic calming measures should be considered.

Public Workshop

- The workshop should allow time at the end for everyone to get back together to hear other all comments. It was suggested that each station head give a 5 minute summary of general comments, suggestions, input, etc. Community input will be summarized from 8:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
- Deliver postcards to the Del Monte Market and the real estate business at 51st Ave. Also make a poster to put on the front door of the post office, place a notice in the South Mountain District Newspaper and get a community interest story in the Arizona Republic.